





A heartfelt tribute to the beloved Michael, Weatherman of Hearts, brought to life on a Signature Edition Commemorative Porcelain Peter Piper Picked a Peck of Pickled Pepper Portrait Plate.

Michael Fish, BBC weatherman. With a glakey grin and a gesticulation of the left arm he forecast the weather, and gave false hope to those of us planning barbecues. He selflessly warned us about overnight frosts, low pressure fronts and high pollen counts.

But now he is gone - on holiday for two weeks. With a wink and a smile he has bid us goodbye. But his meteorological knowledge, his nondescript broadcasting style and the tircless effort he devoted to co-ordinating training courses for African weathermen are the legacy he leaves behind.

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There, you, lady at the back ...





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I change my mind.

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### Letterbocks

and horse's cocks. Sorry. There was a gap.

### If you can't beat 'em...

☐ Stan Collymore was berated for assaulting Ulrika Jonsson. And Paul Gasgoine took a lot of stick for alleged wife-beating. But at least these two England

rejects got the aggression out of their system. Perhaps if David Beckham had layed into Posh Spice a few times before going to France he wouldn't have felt the need to kick that Argentinian. Iames Hill

Camberley

☐ The saving "treat them mean and keep them keen" is rubbish. I'm serving time for locking my girlfriend in the garage for two weeks without food and water, and she hasn't visited me once. Keith

Solihuli

### Top\_IP

FOOL passers by into thinking you keep a bird of prey by walking down the street wearing a leather gauntlet, waving a piece of raw meat in your hand and constantly looking up at the sky. Simone Glover Tottenham

### **Au Clair** des Lunes

☐ It wasn't only David Beckham who made an arse of himself at France '98. Here's us winking our brown eyes en route to the finals

Doug, Russell, Nick, Rod

(and Keith) Portsmouth

Letterbocks P.O. BOX IPT Newcastle upon Tyne NE99 IPT

Fax 0191 281 9048 viz.comic@virgin.net G'Drink Australian, think

Australian'. So says the current TV ads for the famous antipodean amber nectar. If that's the case, how come we don't see any of the characters portrayed in the ad being deported for stealing, displacing the local ethnic community or shoving their cocks up a kangaroo's arse? Albert Muffin

Balham

### Revelation

☐ The Popemobile has 3 inch thick bullet-proof glass in its windows. There's fucking faith for Doc Choc

Windsor

### T&P\_TiP NON-SMOKERS.

Crushed moths make ideal 'replica ash' for decorating your ashtrays with.

Steven Stones Sunderland



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rite., So doN't blame us if it iz shITe.

Top\_\_ip WHEN timing a boiled

egg by running a four minute mile, remember to turn round half-way. or the egg will be hardboiled by the time you get back. M. Wilson Bridlington

### Mice to Big 'C' you, vou, mice So, scientists claim to

have found a cure for cancer in mice. Big deal. That's great news if you happen to be a mouse. Why don't these idiots try finding a cancer cure for people? After all, its us who pay their wages through our taxes. Not mice. Mrs G. Day

Cullercoats Top\_tip

HORSE riders. Keep flies away from your horse or pony this summer without the use of expensive sprays. Simply ask one of your friends to shit on top of your head.

Bertle Bow'd and his mate Jon, E mail

### Wight idea Apparently the Isle of

Wight has the most depressed employment market in the UK An ideal solution might be to throw the island open to Hong Kong residents unhappy with the rule of Red China. Whoosh! Up would go a forest of sky scrapers in defiance of all planning regulations bar Feng Shui, and the dealers who occupy them will provide work for the natives. as coolies, pullers of rickshaws and opium peddlers.

Robert Perry Southend

I've spotted a distinct resemblance between the Viz character Cockney Wanker and that fat baldy bastard with a George Cross tattoo on his belly who was arrested during the Marseille riots.





are both wankers.

☐ Is it right in this day and age that India and

Pakistan should be forced into an 'arranged war'? Surely these two countries are old enough and sufficiently independent to make their own decisions and choose for themselves who they want to have a war with? After all, a war is a serious committment to enter into. Mr Kinnear

☐ Mr Kinnear's racial

stereotyping gag (Letterbocks, above) is of course thinly veiled in irony. But he would do well not to make fun of foreign cultures which he does not understand. An arranged war has as much chance of success as any dewy eyed "hate Western-style match", so many of which end within months. **Bob Bridges** 

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

They've had that much mileage out of her, you'd think that the BBC could afford to buy Maureen from Driving School a fucking set of teeth. For Christ's sake, she frightens my dog.

T. Kettle London

### Top\_tip SMOKERS. Clean your ears at quiet cocktail parties by making a 'cotton bud' out of a cocktail stick and two

used cigarette filters. Jon Murray London N4 You often see signs outside churches telling us But that "Jesus Lives". these religious folk are always carping on about how he died on the cross

for all our sins. Dying isn't much of a sacrifice if you're planning on coming back again five minutes later. Come on God botherers.

You can't have it both ways. Make up your minds. Is he dead or is he alive?

Mr S. Turd Corbridge



Wayne Kerr (geddit?) Birmingham

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HAT SHOP



AVOID the unwanted attention of tarmac gangs who happen to be working "Just around the corner" by moving to a house in the middle of a very long, straight road.

Guy Lom

# Knob is

Despite being a mature businessman working in Central Europe I found the enclosed photograph of a German sewer pipe manufacturer's exhibition stand rather amusing, in a puerile sort of way.

Our son was so sad to see the departure of his favourite Spice Girl Geri. But after sulking for a few days he cheered himself up by writing a little ode in her honour. He's not normally a poet, but even my wife agrees this isn't a bad effort Ginger Spice is twice as

nice As that fucker Scarv.

Cos her tits are twice as big, And her cunt more hairy. Do any other readers have

Spice Girl poems they'd care to share? Peter Wright Grimsby

Top\_II BY ADDING a lick of varnish, pork chop bones be made into

ate coffin handles for doad hutchers



Judging by the looks on their faces the sausage eaters inside have completely failed to see the funny side of their corporate identity.

Prague

### is blowing

in the wind A few days ago in bed a

The answer

bottom burp of my husband's brought forth the unmistakable words "POL-POT". The following morning I awoke to hear the news that the infamous leader of the Khmer Rouge had died. Last night my husband farted in the bath. It's not looking good for Edward Woodward.

Mre Tinkle Sebsy |

Card No.

ASTRONOMERS. padoms make excellent 'relief' maps of the

Moon.

Westcliff-on-Sea 

SUBSCRIPTIONS



got pneumonia in my arse. I'm thinking of pointing it at the fire attractive and appropriagain, even though it's August. Either that or finding new picture for the next issue. Anyway, I'm not here to talk about my arse. I'm the Viz subs girl and I'm here to tell you all about our subscription rates.

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### Phwordnance Top\_Tip survey PLACE dried-up felt tip

On a recent trip to Ireland I was lucky enough to ogle a massive pair of paps. Heading down the N22 road South East from Killarney towards Macroom, on the left as you pass the village of Cloonken, are the biggest pair of Paps you'll ever

see, measuring 691 and 694 metres respectively. Steve Montego



# Give the

☐ I recently had an affair with a mature woman, 25 years older than myself. I can recommend the experience to any other readers who, like myself, are too overweight and ugly to get off with a decent looking bird their own age

ToP\_II SUNRATHERS. Place two wet tea bags beneath your sunglasses to avoid those dreaded

Leeds

white eye-patches. Hey presto! A perfectly even facial tan. Penny Taylor Southwold, Suffolk

☐ I read somewhere that Jodie Foster wants to be artificially inseminated with the sperm of the perfect man. Well darling, I'm 5'4", weigh 15 stone, have a William Hague hairstyle and a good job as a shoe salesman in Freeman Willis Hardy Macclesfield. Just give me the word and I'll be on my

way, complete with a

come true.

turkey baster and pickle jar, to make your dreams Derek Nobbs Macclesfield

pens in a glass of vinegar overnight. In the morning it will taste like sherry.

Steven Stones Sunderland

### Hex discriminigtion

Marti Caine, Eddie Kidd, Princess Di, John Denver. And now... Reg Smythe! Has no-one else noticed the "Curse of Viz"?

A. E. Miller Croydon \* Yes, they have actually, And they usually end their letter with "How about doing a feature on Noel Edmonds".

### Top ${f Ti}P$

SAVE money on expensive patio tables and chairs by taking a picnic along to your local B&O store. Then relax and enjoy it sitting on the garden furniture displayed outside the door.

Mapperley, Nottingham

Rather than giving their birds a pearl necklace it seems the Americans buy an instant equivalent and simply pour it on straight from the packet. Convenient perhaps, but not nearly as much fun. Andrew Grahan

Somerville MA, USA



NET 13.5 FL.OZ. (400 ml.) Topie

LIGHTHOUSE keepers. Entertain vourselves on stormy days by coming to work on a moped and riding the "Wall of Death" around your living room.

John Tait Thropton

On the subject of convenient, rude products, in Bangkok they even peel your shite for you. Whatever that means Patrick Fenion Croydon

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### Foul play ☐ Following the success

of football comedy dramas 'An Evening With Gary Linker' and 'My Summer With Des', I'm writing a play based on my personal experiences of this June. Unfortunately I hate football, so I just drank beer and tuned in to the Fantasy Channel every night. At the minute my working

title for my play is 'My Month Getting Pissed and Pulling My Own Fucking Pud'. Any producer's interested in the TV rights?

A. Jones Birmingham

### ToPIP ANNOY saggy bladdered

old men by standing next to them in the toilet and peeing as hard and as fast as you can, while making satisfied "Aaaah!" noises, Then one quick shake and away.

Ren

### Blow job

spondence about mystery porn movies. My sister starred in a soft porn movie called A Temps Relief about 3 years ago where she simulated oral sex with 12 executives at a meeting. She is now employed in an office earning £65,000 a year for doing nothing except looking good. I thought I might provide her new work colleagues with a little insight into her past acting career, but I don't have a copy of the film. Could any of your readers help me get hold of a copy?

A. Merkin London W9



How about a picture of a naked bird stroking her pussy in the middle of the night? A. Izard Gwent

\* Only too happy to oblige, Mr Izard. If you have any unusual naked bird picture requests send them to our usual address and we'll do our best to produce the picture for you.

### Post mortem

"The female of the species is more deadly than the mail", sang that bloke out of Space. Try telling that to my uncle. He was killed by a letter bomb.

Paul Smith Nottingham

### Wildelv inaccurate

Permit me the liberty of using your column to point out a glaring inaccuracy in the last episode of Raffles the Gentleman Thug (issue 90) in which he encounters Oscar Wilde at a reception in London. This could only have happened before Wilde was convicted of indecency in May 1895, and yet, in the previous episode he (Raffles) was seen to be instrumental in the loss of the Titanic, which sank on April 15th, 1912. Clearly you have but the shakiest of historical grasp chronology.

J. Weatherspoon Newbury \* You sir, are a fucking pedantic cock sucker.

Further to recent corre-Letterbocks continues on page 20 (A-TCHOO! YEE-HAA! YOUR WIFE HAS



# Medieval Knievel

### All change made out of Lego? That way after a crash we could for Arsenal simply put our cars back together again ourselves. instead of playing the high prices which garages

Why aren't all care

There'd be other advan-tages too. If you were

caught in a traffic jam for

instance you could simply

turn your car into a heli-

conter although would

It's got to be worth think-ing about. Unless of

course the car manufacturers and garages don't

want us saving money, and

are only interested in pro-

tecting their profits.

Chris Mappley

Carshalton

Top\_\_ip

OLD folk Don't buy

Invest in a luxury single

nine wardrohe instead

That way you'll also get

some use out of it while

☐ Thank heavens for

coconuts How else could

we make the delightful

"clip clop" sound of horses

I couldn't belo noticine

a distinct resemblance

hetween Sun columnist

Gary Bushell and the

Honey Pot 'vibrating vagi-

na' as advertised in the

classified pages of down

market skud magazines. I

wonder if perhaps they are

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re' Code: 0443A £18.95

VIBRATING VAGINA

both twats?

Fuckface

vou're still alive.

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Manchester United's failure to win so much as a not to niss in last season is having a predictable effect amonest their faithful following Witness this extract from the classified section of the Bristol Evening Post dated 20th May 1008

Sportswear RAA

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MAN. Utd. shirt, blue, size 38, 16, Man. Utd. tee shirt, £2, Man. Utd. Andy Cole tee shirt £2, Nike Air, size 8, as new, £10. Mire rugby boots, size 13, as new, £16, football hoots, all sizes, £5, rugby boots, blue 18, 25, 12, — Tel. 0117

No doubt the proceeds of the sale will already have been invested in Arsenal merchandise.

"Chollis" Frenchway, Bristol

On the subject of classiwest of England, your Shitty (issue 90) isn't the only person having trouble getting rid of his stools. See the enclosed excernt from Somerset County Gazette.

Strention hence £15. (01855) 46569 YEOVIL STOOLS £5. Tel: (01

Peter Cooke Wellington, Somerset

 $extbf{T}$   $extbf{SP}$   $extbf{T}$   $extbf{T}$   $extbf{P}$ A SPUD-GUN loaded

from a garlic bulb makes the ideal weapon for killing vampires. John Tall Thropton

☐ If Donald Leckie is such a clever kut (issue 90) perhaps he could help me with a bit of Dutch translation. We were working in Holland on a computer project a few years back and often used the term "cutover", meaning to switch from one system to another. Whenever we did so our Dutch colleagues pissed themselves laughing, but never told us why. Could any of your cosmopolitan readers enlighten me as to the no doubt puerile meaning of this word in Dutch?

Dan Grahan York

### Hev diddle diddle



I saw Jimmy Hill in the

Moon in the first frame of P.C. Hopper the Bent Copper (issue 90) and I hereby claim my own weight in diamonds Mark Bradley

Brierley Hill \* Well done Mark, Your own weight in diamonds is

60 088 220 carate ☐ Sausage jockeys may be

interested to learn of this amusing brand of savelov currently available in Japan HEALTHY FOOT

Although burning

witches at the etake would he considered harbaric in this day and age it would certainly make these neo-

nle think twice before they start brewing notions, casting spells and eating chil-

Mr. C. Mappley

CDEATE vour \_.... fleece-lined iogging pants by snipping the feet of a pair of tights and emptying the contents of a Hoover had down the insides.

hn Tale Thropton ☐ Women say that men are only after one thing Rubbish! I'm after two.

tons AND fingers.

Lee Nelson Stockton-on-Tees

Top\_IIP FARMERS. Feed cows on strawberries. Hey presto!

Strawberry milk shake. John Talt Thronton Lincoln cathedral on the Lincoln \* Our deliberate cathedral

☐ If Chaz'n'Dave really

did record 'Now That's

What I Call Chaz'n'Dave

On Helium' at Wells

Cathedral (Viz 90) then

why is there a picture of

Stephen Bailey

CD cover?

All's Wells

that ends

Now THAT'S what I call

HELIUM

mistake proved so popular with our eagle eved readers that we've decided to do another one. Here's a picture of Winchester cathedral



Did you spot the mistake? Write to 'Deliberate Cathedral Mistake Competition at our usual address. There's has been great outpouring a trip for two to the cathedral of your choice. In Britain, Br bus. Bring your own sandwiches. For the winner.

> Top\_IIP TRAIN guards. Allow

your passengers to savour the Inside of your train for a few moments longer by leaving an irritating interlude between the train stopping and your operating the door release button. Dave Stuttard

Warrington

G. P.

### HOMO SAUSAGE 末 1/- 12-2 Top\_\_ip

Onite what the slogan "Healthy footwork' means I do not know. Perhaps that's what you need to escape from a person wielding their homo sausage.

Geoff and Kevin



Tokyo



### hamsters. Mal DuPaune Milton Keynes Over the years there

of public sympathy for Derek Bentley who was wrongly hanged for his dubious role in the killing of a PC Sidney Miles on the roof of a Croydon sweet factory in 1958. But what about the other victims in this case, the children who had to go without sweets the following day because Bentley and his accomplice had stolen them? There have been no

films, campaigns

behalf.

protests made on their

### Whitby



Geri Halliwell's departure from the Spice Girls was prophetic Ginger is not a true spice. It is merely a hot root

Rald Gary \* Yeah, Unlike Posh, Scary, Sporty and Rahy

TôP II JANET Street-Porter's boyfriend. Invite Janet for a game of 'wheelbar-

row' in the garden this autumn. Hev presto! You'll have raked up all the leaves in minutes. Nathan-Madonna Byers Oxford (if you don't mind)

☐ If your reader Martin Taylor (issue 90) does indeed earn £4.5 million per year, why not charge the cunt £500,000 for his copy of Viz. and then all the rest of us could get it for free. Instead of constantly hiking up the price that everybody pays.

Radshot, Surrey

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☐ I enclose a photo of Fucking in Austria. wouldn't recommend it. It's a fucking boring place.

Do I get £5" James Sebasta ing your picture because we're sick to fuck of fucking rude name places. We're raising the stakes. From now on rude place names must contain at least TWO rude words in order to qualify for publication Okay. How about this

\* Sorry but we're not print-

place I spotted in Cheddar Gorge?



I beat a hasty retreat after taking the picture in case there was any fudge nacking activity going on round the back

D. Diggler Bristol

☐ Two rude words? No. problem. This Italian hotel contains not only a muff. piss mall as Apparently it is well known for its excellent water sports facilities. Mr A. R. Thomas

Shabbington

□ Women who sleen around get angry when they're called slags So what the fuck are they then?

Thomas!"

Roy Chris Mannley Carchalton

### TAP TTP

DODED housewives? Recreate the excitement of a Tom and Jerry cartoon by standing on a stool wearing red socks and chouting "Thomac!

> ... Surroy

Further to Mike Pearson's letter about the hunky McGann brothers bagging all the totty (issue 90). When I worked in Everton dole office I used to deal with their claims when they were 'between roles' They all used to come in and sign-on en masse and never on time Any birds that happened to be hanging around the office would go straight into heat and start rubbing themselves on the furniture. We had to mop the floor after they'd gone I also signed on that Pere Wylie out of Wah! He was a thoroughly decent bloke

- a bit ugly, but he always signed on at the correct box on the correct day and Julian Kirrin

CUNTURINES



### VIZ BACK ISSUES



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There's a bit of a draft blowing up me fur burger an'all. Aah here they are in this suitcase. The back issues we have left are 39, 40, 56, 57, 59, 60, 66, 70, 73, 76, 80, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90. Back issues costs £2 each in the UK, £2.50 overseas, including postage. If you think that's steep, it's not. It's fucking vertical. Anyway, if you're ordering by post, please tick one of these hoxes Me, I enclose a cheque/PO, crossed and made payable to "John Brown Publishing Ltd." thank you very much.

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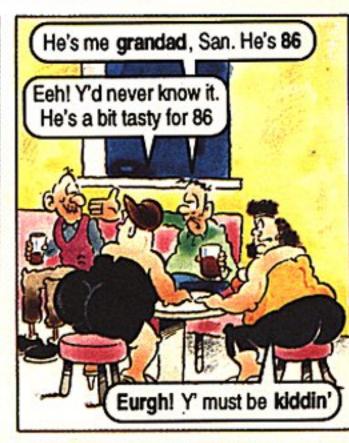


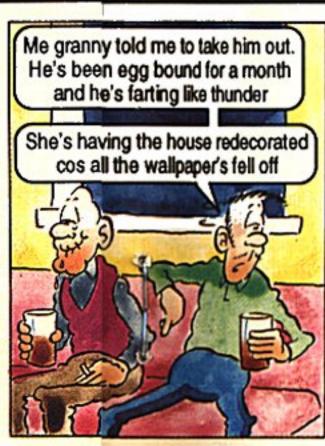
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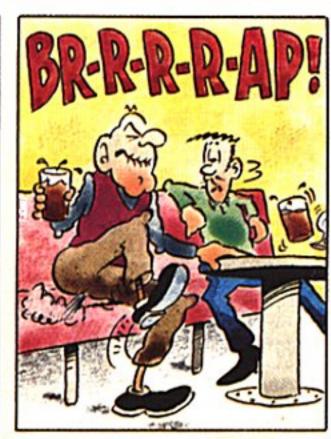
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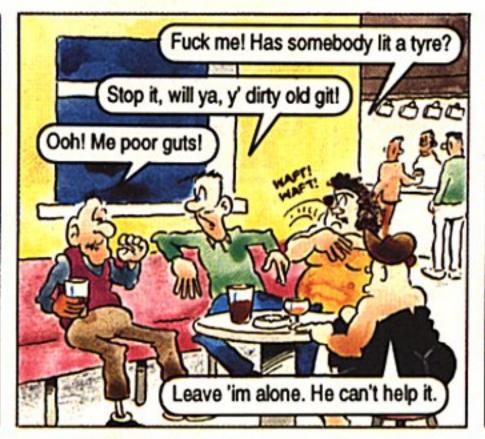


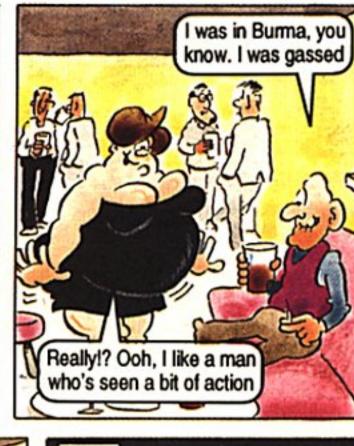






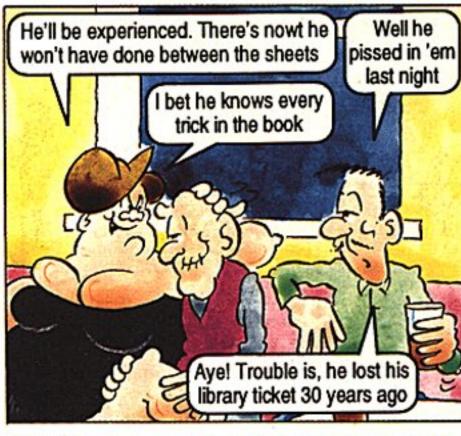


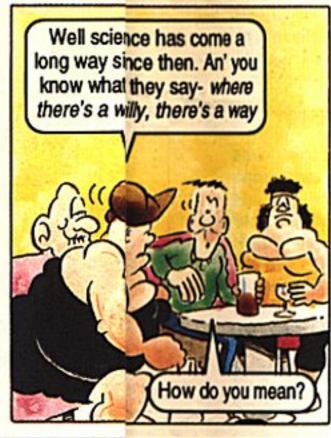


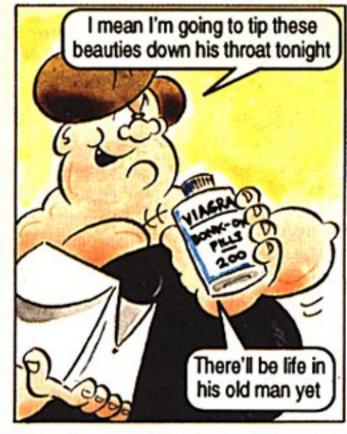






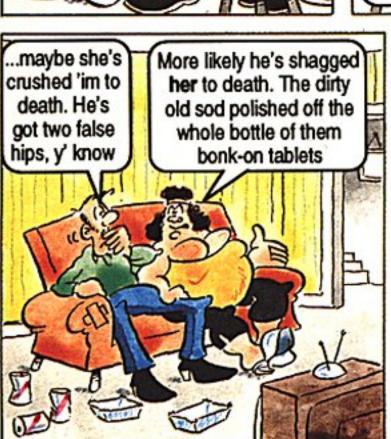




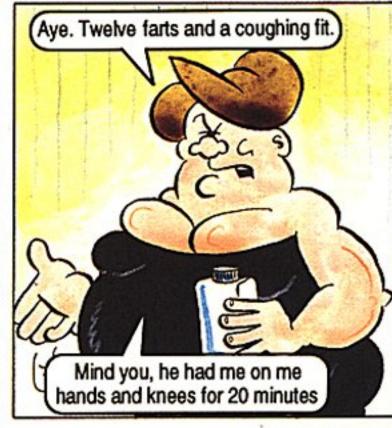






















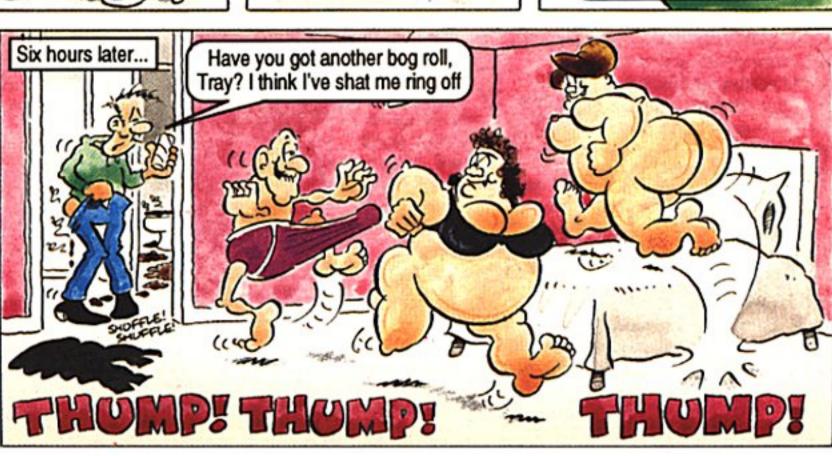












### Bombshell at the Palace! Royal soap shock EXCLUSIVE!

# **QUEEN MUM AXED!**

By our TV Soap Reality/Fiction Blurring Correspondents Dan Shite & Una Pissflaps

### BRITAIN'S favourite soap star the Queen Mum is set to be axed.

In a move that is sure to shock the entire nation the Queen Mother is to be written out of Britain's longest running soap The Royal Family.

The show's producers made the controversial decision to axe their most popular star at a heated production meeting in London last week. It is the latest in a line of outlandish storylines aimed a boosting the show's flagging ratings.

### Shocked

In recent years viewers have been shocked by scenes which have includ-\* ADULTERY by both the

Prince and Princess of \* DIVORCE for both Andrew and Charles. \* DRAMA as Windsor

Castle burnt down. \* A STROKE for heavy smoker Princess Margaret.

At one point there was even talk of a first ever gay Royal romance involving Prince Edward, but this was considered too controversial by the show's senior executives.

### Pfeiffer

Critics had claimed that recent raunchy plots were a TURN OFF for the show's traditional audience who have been abandoning the soap in their droves. But following Princess Diana's dramatic exit from the soap in August last year - which made front page news and saw TV audiences quadruple - the show's writers have been under pressure to produce even more controversial storylines.

### Ma belle

Elizabeth who plays the Queen Mother was not at the Royal Family's London vesterday. However the news came as a shock to the rest of the

episode, but not even the cast or film crew will know which one is to be Bowes-Lyon screened Mots

### "It's news to me" - actress Liz left in the dark

DURHAM born actress Lizzy Bowes-Lyon was last night reeling after we broke the news of her sacking from the long running soap.

Speaking outside the luxury 6 bedroom Essex ranch which she shares with her boyfriend. Gladiator Wolf, she told us she'd be seeking an urgent meeting with the show's producer's first thing on Monday morning to discuss her future.

### Vont

"This is news to me' she told us. "I haven't heard anything official because I've been having a few days off. But if this is true, like, then I feel really sad. Not just for me, but for all the viewers who have really some point in the future. It would be nice for me to be able to go away and do other things, and still pop back to the Family now then. To do Christmas specials and that, like what Mike Reid does in EasteEnders". she added.

By our Essex

Doorstepping Correspondent KIM SLAPARSE

taken the Queen Mum to

their hearts over the

Tres

"I only hope they'll con-

sider leaving the door

open for her to return at

years".

But Lizzy's future outside of the soap could be uncertain. After 97 years in the same role

ruled out a return for Princess Diana, one of the

shows most popular char-

acters. Family bosses know

car crash has left script

Bien

One way around the prob-

lem was for her to return

by stepping out of a show-

er, and for her death and

all subsequent events to be

explained as a dream. But

writers with a headache.

Artress Liz Bowes-Lyons leaving Stringfellows nightclub with Brian Harvey out of East 17 in happier times. Their marriage lasted

casting directors may see her as stereotyped and she could have trouble finding work. In the past other Family stars have struggled after leaving the show.

### Ensemble

Sarah Ferguson was fired after a notorious off-screen toe sucking incident with her boyfriend in 1994. Ferguson, who played red haired man-eater the Duchess of York. has since failed to relaunch her career in Hollywood and is now said to be heavily in debt.

### Tres

This winter she is booked to appear alongside Chris Quentin and Peter Dean in Puss In Boots at the Empire Theatre, Bridlington,

### Sont

Greek actor Phillipos Battenburg, who plays the soap's romeo rat Prince Philip, said the Family would not be the same without the Queen Mum. "She's almost as big as the show itself. When I joined in 1947 I had only just got off a boat from Greece. but Liz sat me down, helped me with my lines and made me feel at home. She's always been an absolute darling and a real professional".

The Queen Mum as she is seen by millions of viewers

"We're a close-knit team".

said Elizabeth Windsor

who plays the Queen. "We

socialise together too. In

many ways we're like a

real family. This will effect

us all. It's a big blow, and it

makes you realise that

none of us are indispens-

able".

together and

### Les

Details of the Queen Mum's exit are being kept a closely guarded secret. Three separate endings will be filmed for her final

Last night no-one from the show's production team was available for comment.



indsor arrives at the Royal Family studios for work terday. Cast members were said to be stunned by the news.

### But there's no return for Princess Diana

THERE could be even more surprises in store for Family viewers as producers ring in the changes in an attempt to rejuvenate the flagging show. But producers have so far

producers have dismissed the idea as too far fetched. Ensemble However a comeback

### that her return would be an enormous coup, but her could be on the cards for controversial death in a

Princess Alice of Athlone, grand-daughter of Queen Victoria, Insiders confirm that former Carry On star Joan Simms could be handed the role following the real-life death of veteran actress Margaret Rutherford who played the crotchety Alice for over 80 years.

## Is the REAL Tony Hadley still alive?

SECRET Government files just released have cast doubt over the identity of Tony

Medical documents pub-Romantics lished for the first time inevitable some time in have fuelled theories that the mid 1980s. It was com-Hadley, who throughout mon practice for singers in the 1980s was believed to the New Romantic era to be the man in Spandau have doubles as the risk of Ballet, was in fact an assassination was so great. impostor. Simon Le Bon is known to have kept a stable of look-Quartet

Dr Jim Rosenthal is an

eminent Spandologist who

tracking down the New

believes he has found vital

evidence that the real

Tony Hadley could still be

Combo

medical records from

clearly indicate that the

singer had tonsils", he told

Condo

Dr Rosenthal believes that

the real Tony Hadley was

replaced by a double when

Romantics.

alive.

### model at a time.

has devoted his life to Compo And he "If you study video evidence, the man you see singing 'Musclebound' in exchanges smiles with the Kemp brothers throughout the video. However the Tony Hadley "It's a well known fact that who performs 'Through The Barricades' in 1986 Tony Hadley had his tonsils out when he was 8. Yet hardly acknowledges the Kemp brothers at all, as if Spandau Ballet dated 1986 he doesn't know them. And when the song is played back slowly his

### voice appears much lower".

Cleaa

a-likes and used them to

Romantic photograph taken in Spandau Ballet date more than one superduring the 1980s, showing the man believed to be Hadley, centre, But was this the real Tony Hadley?

> perished along with the New rest of the Romantics. But if Dr Rosenthal is correct, the real Tony Hadley could still be alive, although if he was he would be now be

### aged 120.

Batty Rosenthal is convinced that Hadley is still alive and that he is living somewhere in South America wearing a white suit, a panama hat, and a little black moustache and false evebrows. "He is probably carrying out genetic experiments to clone baby New again".

Romantics which will be placed with foster parents and then grow up, go to art college and form pretentions New Romantic

### bands", he told us.

Southqate As he clasped a picture of Spandau Ballet in New York at the height of their fashion atrocities in 1982, a tear formed in Dr Rosenthal's eye. "I will not rest till every one of the New Romantics has been made to atone for their crimes against taste. For the sake of our children we must make sure that this can never happen

We commend Dr Jim Rosenthal for his tireless efforts in nursuit of the perpetrators of the New Romantic era. But there comes a point where we must stop and ask ourselves: Is now the time

### Waddle

to stop?

horn?

If Tony Hadley is alive and there is no concrete evidence to sunport this theory - is it really worth pursuing a frail old man for musical crimes committed before many of us were

### Lollop

The New Romantics were the scourge of eighties pop. Of that there is no doubt. But their evil flame has been extinguished. And as we approach the new millennium should look forwards. not back. Difficult though that may be for men like Dr Jim Rosenthal who lived through their abomina-

Test your knowledge of

antiquated English Law.

Up until now it was

### the fall of the New thought that Hadley had YOU are the Barrister

You ask where exactly he caught the fish, and he explains that he was fishing 2 miles off



You purchase the fish from him for £80. What should you then do with it? (a) Take it home, cook it and eat it. (b) Give it to the



was brusysseus then opiged to offer the catch to Her Majesty as a girporpoises caught by him within the Realm, i.e. within 3 miles of the coast. However II (1284-1327) a fisherman is free to sell any sturgeons, dolphins, whales or The correct answer is (c). Under the Fishes Royal statute issued by King Edward



when a fishman offers to sell you a sturgeon which he caught that morning.











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A FEW THOUGHTS I DIDN'T NEED !

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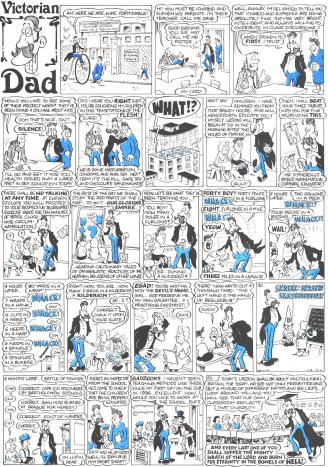
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Have you seen this?!

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Thousands of years of artistic development being strangled in a tidal wave of populist dumbing down.... True culture being starved to death beneath the sheels of the Cool Britannia bandwaggon. One simply weeps, Natasha!

Hmm... Well, I suppose we

Indeed Crispin ... But what else rnaeea Crispin... But what else can you expect from a Prime Minister who used to play in a rock band?

Tcha! Blair!! That shallo Little philistine! Surrounding himself with his in-crowd of luvvie sycophants! It makes one sick!



this morning's post has brought us. (Gosh! It's a letter from

Ten Downing street!

Now, the thing is, guys, I've

got a bit of a problem with

The Government Arts Advisor

has been getting a bit off

message ... Out of touch and

doesn't even have Sir Elton. Candle in the Wind' in his

elitist. One of my Party

aides discovered that he

CD collection!

our Arts Focus Group.

Dear Natasha and Crispin Hi! Cherie and I are having a little soirée round at Number 10 on Saturday, 8 pm

Dust a few movers and shakers in the arts and media world, like youceless. We'll knock a few idear around over a spot of tope you can make it Tong

and I want you two to be my new Advisors for the Arts. Only 200k a year, i'm afraid but, hey, that's

public service... You can start Monday.



could attend, briefly. Make our feelings known n person Absolutely... An apportunity to speak out, in face-to-

face confrontation ...



Natasha! Crispin! Great to see

you both! Welcome aboard Project New Young Britain! Oh.er. One is honoured

to be here, your ... um. Right Honowaldeness!... Thank you, Sire!



Now come through to the patio and have something to eat... Lord Bragg's knocking us up some quails'eggs pancetta And afterwards, I'm going

to have a bit of a jam with The spice Girls



As one selflessly takes up the

rudder of our nation's sturdy Ship of Culture, one feels a heart-wrenching solidarity with the long line of impoverimed artists who have bravely manned the pumps through the hostile seas of philistinism

Ah, indeed!.. The challenge of Public Office!... The weighty responsibilities... The gruelling workload



Are there any other little are treasures you'd like to borrow from The National Gallery, sir!



Satisfaction?

big plans for regenerating Modern Opera in this country. And we'd like to increase funding for The Dance.

You guys settling in OK?

Absolutely!.. We've got some



Yes yes, there'll be plenty of time for all that stuff later. We've got a far more urgent priority right now - My next little supper party at Number 10.



Focus Group reports that 56% of the population feel that over 72% of the guest lists of my last three celebrity soirées had a Cool-Factor Rating of less than 43%

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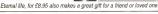
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## Mr Music celebrates 21 years

### at the top

It was exactly 21 years ago almost to the very day, 1977 to be precise, when John Otway had his first hit record.

'Really Free', the hit single which was only kept off the Christmas number slot by Paul McCartney's Mull of Kintyre (and 25 other records), spent 8 weeks in the charts, peaking at the heady height of No.27. And to celebrate the anniversary of his single success to date we're handing John the key to the Royal Albert Hall.

### STONES

The Stones in the Park, the Pistols at the 100 Club. Cocker at Woodstock... Momentous events etched forever in the history of rock. On Friday 30th October 1998 another name will be added to that list. For years to come people will remember the night that Otway played the Albert. **TETLEYS** 

Viz is sponsoring the event, and John will be backed by a full orchestra and joined on stage by his former partner Wild Willy Barrett plus a host of special guests. The show will finish off in spectacular style with a spectacular '21 Headbutt Salute'. Rumours of appearances Tom Jones, Pete

Townsend, Rolf Harris. Savle. Rick Alexei Wakeman, Jools Holland, Elton John and Keith Moon have all been generated in order to encourage ticket sales.

### JOHN SMITHS

We're giving away 21 free tickets for the show, plus 21 Otway CD back catalogues, 21 Viz subscriptions and 21 copies of this year's Viz annual, One The Bone: The Beefiest Bits of issues 76 to 81. That's nearly 21 great reasons to enter this competi-

1. Which famous sporting event was won by the horse Red Rum in 1977? (a) The F.A. Cup Final (b) The University boat

Race (c) The Grand National

wanders

2. Which of the following fat comedians died in (a) Bernard Manning (b) Les Dawson

(c) Elvis Presley 3. Which of the following coffin-dodging comedians made it through 1977 and into the next round. Just. (a) Charlie Chaplin (b) Jimmy Durante

(c) Groucho Marx



Dead comedian and Soho restaurateur Mr Groucho Marx pictured on a recent night out with well known so hostess Mrs Hossenpfeffer .

4. On 14th October 1977 Bing Crosby went for a game of golf at a course near Madrid in Spain. How did he finish his round?

(a) One under par 68. (b) Five over par 74. (c) Dead.

5. What cost £16,731 in (a) Bing Crosby's funeral. (b) A discount air flight to New York on Freddie Laker's Skytrain. (c) The average house in

6. Star Wars was the hit movie of 1977. Which well known British road safety campaign star played Darth Vader in the movie. but had his voice dubbed over by an American actor? (a) Sixties singer Joe Brown (b) Tuffty the Squirrel

(c) The Green Cross Man

7. Which darling of the Centre Court won victory for Britain in the Ladies Doubles final Wimbledon?

(a) Virginia Wade (b) Sue Barker (c) Sir Cliff Richard

8. In October 1977 former Party leader Liberal Jeremy Thorp told a sausage jockey stewards enquiry that he had never gone uphill gardening with which of the following Scotts? (a) Curly Wurly TV actor

(b) Homosexual Norman Scott. (c) Scott of the Antarctic

Terry Scott.

9. In the run up to the same sex scandal who shot Norman Scott's dog? (a) Geno Newton, the airline pilot. (b) Geno Ginelli, the ficti-

tious ice cream manufac-(c) Geno Washington and the Ram Jam Band.

10. What was the name of the 1977 BBC2 drama the 1977 BBC2 drama which a state bureaucracy called the PCD was allpowerful, and which was. with the benefit of hindsight, a load of bollocks. (a) 1984 (b) Space 1999 (c) 1990

> 11. What did police use for the first time on the streets of London on August 13th

(a) Tact and diplomacy (b) Common sense (c) Riot shields 12. In 1977, at the age of

11, which pre-pubescent pensioner and all-round party animal became the voungest ever competitor in a national chess chamnionship? (a) William Hague (b) Nigel Kennedy (c) Nigel Short



out of the hat will each win an Albert Hall ticket, an Otway CD back catalogue. a 1 year Viz subscription and a Viz annual. Closing date for entries is Monday 14th September.

### Try Otway's Perth to Penzance Challenge

To warm up for the Big One. John Otway is embarking on a two month tour of Britain. Throughout September and October you can see him at pubs and theatres all over Britain.

On Thursday October 22nd he plays the Glen Farg Hotel in Perth. then, due to a logistical oversight on his manager's part, the following evening he is due to appear at The Acorn pub in Penzance.

The two venues are 600 miles apart, and anyone Challenge' by turning up to see both gigs will get a free ticket for the Albert Hall, and their names will then go into a hat. The winner of the draw, which will take place at the Penzance gig, will be invited to appear live on stage to perform the final 'butt' in a spectacular 21 Headbutt Salute which will end the show at the Royal Albert Hall.

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'Perth-Penzance

A full list of Otway's tour dates appears in an advert on page 15 of this magazine.

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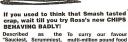
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### **Issue 90 Competition Winners** KATHY LLOYD VIDEOS

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JOHN OTWAY

Piss-up and Curry with John was won by Steve Lintern of Cardiff. Pais sup and curry with John was von try Steve Lintern of Cardin.

Per of tickets for Albert Hall off (ib. be end out namer the date) were won by: I tickets Person, Preston. With Cappan, Salford. Sally Doursmond. Kenillworth. Peter Reynolds, Obscusted: Darry Lines, Bournmouth. John & Joyce Sharpe, Nr Kilmarnock.

### JERRY SPRINGER VIDEOS

JEHRY DYNINGEN TIPE OF STATE O

(a) Cheesy Hairy Plums (b) California Highway Patrol (c) Cheesy Hairy Pie

2. Which one of the following isn't a variety of potato? (a) Maris Piper (b) Prince Albert (c) King Edward



in the film 'Goodbye Mr Chips' (a) Erik Estrada (b) John Alderton

(c) Peter O'Toole 4. Who eats silicon

chips, and why? (a) Lasses, to make their tits bigger. (b) Steven Hawking, to make him talk properly. (c) Computers, to make them cleverer.

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### Pop star Sting has been stung into action after hearing of the plight of Britain's honey bees. 2. Sherlock Holmes lived Each summer thousands at 22 what Baker Street? of wasp and bees nests are

treated by pest control operatives for public safetv. But, according to Sting, secondary bee poisoning can occur when other bees enter the poisoned nest and take contaminated honey back to their hives. This can lead to widespread bee destruction and loss of honey. LEAFLET

Sting has teamed up with Viz and the Health & Safety Executive to raise awareness of secondary bee poisoning among pest control operatives. A new HSE leaflet advising pest controllers on good practice to reduce the impact of nest treatment on hived honey bees was launched by Sting at a bee hive in London yesterday. **FLY POST** 

### We're giving away a copy

of the leaflet Feral Honey Bees plus a fabulous bee keeping hat to the winner of this competition, plus a jar of honey signed by Sting to each of 5 runnersup. Simply answer the following bee questions.

1. How did pop star Sting get his unusual name? (a) Because he used to deliver honey for his dad's dairy. (b) Because he used to live

in a tree and sting people with his arse. (c) Because he wore a hooped yellow and black jumper.

(a) 22A (b) 22B (c) 22C 3. Which animals is

responsible for the greatest number of human deaths each year? (a) Hippopotamusses (b) Great White Sharks (c) Bees 4. How does a bee commu-

nicate with its little bee friends? (a) It writes them messages

on flower petals. (b) It talks to them in a buzzy language. (c) Its shakes its little bee arse at them. Free copies of the leaflet

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